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invention avoids the problems encountered with prior methods, in which synchronization resulted in a recurring record being transformed into a series of individual records.

In the Claims:

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1. A computer implemented method of synchronizing at least a first and a second database, wherein the manner of storing a set of recurring date bearing instances differs between the first and second databases, and at least the first database uses a recurring record to store the set of recurring date bearing instances, the method comprising:

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processing a plurality of non-recurring records [instances] in the second database to generate a synthetic recurring record representing a set of recurring date bearing instances in the second database;

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performing a comparison of the synthetic recurring record of the second database to a recurring record of the first database;

completing synchronization based on the outcome of the comparison.

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2. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of completing synchronization includes adding, modifying, or deleting one of the synthetic recurring record and [or the] recurring record.

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